

BACK TO SCHOOL!

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Ms. Scott's Classroom Newsletter

Welcome Back Parents & Students

I am so excited to start this journey through second grade with you and your children! As you know I am Bailey Scott, and I will be your child's teacher throughout this school year. I graduated from the University of Central Florida with an honors degree in Elementary Education. I have lived in Florida my whole life and I absolutely love everything this state has to offer in terms of a hands on experience with the environmental, space, and oceanic education. That being said, I am very excited to announce that our class will be participating in two educational field trips this year in addition to qualified guest speakers! In November we will be having Buzz Lightyear, an astronaut who has toured on the space station missions, come and speak with the class about our space program and space exploration. Also, in early December we will be going to the Kennedy Space Center for a first-hand look at space shuttles and satellites. Additionally, in March we will be venturing to Sea World to learn about oceanic animals and their environment which will tie in with our science, language arts, and geography curriculum.

Classroom Expectations

- Students will come to class prepared and ready to learn
- Students will keep hands and objects to themselves and never place hands on someone or touch something that does not belong to them
- Students will raise their hand if they wish to speak in the classroom
- Students will stay in their seats unless otherwise instructed
- Students will respect everyone in the classroom
- Students will participate in classroom activities such as discussions, presentations, schoolwork etc.

Consequences

Consequences for inappropriate behavior are based on a four step program which follows this order:

- **First time misbehaving:** student receives warning
- **Second time misbehaving:** student is to write an apology letter during recess
- **Third time misbehaving:** student is removed from class to do independent work in another environment and parent/guardian is contacted
- **Fourth time misbehaving:** student is sent to principal's office where they may suspend or expel a student or set up a parent conference

Our school practices a zero tolerance expectation when considering threats, fighting, drugs, or any item that may be considered a weapon on school grounds. If this behavior is exhibited by any individual they will be expelled.

Positive Reinforcers

Our class will be participating in the Monetary Positive Reinforcement Program (MPRP) at our school. Most of you are familiar with this, but in short students portraying positive behavior are rewarded with school money. This behavior can include consistently following classroom rules, behaving in the cafeteria, or simply standing out to a teacher or faculty member as a positive asset to the school community. The money can be used at the school store to purchase items ranging from pens and pencils to books and toys. This is a great program because it encourages positive behavior and responsibility while allowing students to practice math and money skills.

Reminders to Parents

Your child will need the following supplies this year:

1. composition book
2. 2 spiral notebooks
3. 1 box of pencils
4. erasers
5. ruler
6. calculator
7. lunch box
8. backpack
9. pencil box

Contact Information

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Parents if you have any questions or concerns regarding this school year please contact me. We have a fun and educational filled year and parent involvement is always encouraged! Parents please review the classroom expectations and consequences with your child, and students please review the school supplies list and MRPR with your parents. This is going to be a great year and I am looking forward to getting to know each of you!

Sincerely,

Bailey Scott